

The LECs operate an "essential facility", and should have to accommodate other ISP firms that wish to purchase access from them. This wholesale provisioning stimulates competition and benefits consumers. Chairman Powell: Please do not sell out to BIG BUSINESS, at the expense of competition and the small businesses of our country.

Broadband needs to be a strong part of this country and without open access to the ILEC facilities the country will be divided between 2 major broadband suppliers, the cable industry and the phone companies. Please don't sell the future of america into a nation divided among monopolies.